

1 **Regular Meeting**  
2 **Minutes**  
3 **March 20, 2006**

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5 *A Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Leonia, Bergen County,*  
6 *New Jersey, was held this evening in the Borough of Leonia Library, commencing at*  
7 *7:31pm*  
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9 **Council Present:** Mayor Laurence Cherchi, Councilperson Hawkins, Heveran,  
10 Mitrani, Raucci, Ryan, Puzzo  
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12 **Council Absent:** none  
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14 **Also Present:** Fran Lehmann, Borough Clerk, Brian Giblin Borough Attorney,  
15 Victoria Miragliotta, Borough Administrator, Ann Brown,  
16 Borough Engineer  
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18 Mayor Laurence Cherchi called the meeting to order.  
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20 Mayor Laurence Cherchi asked everyone to stand while Councilman President Puzzo led  
21 in the Pledge of Allegiance.  
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23 **PRESENTATION**  
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25 Borough Engineer Ann Brown made a presentation to the Governing Body and the  
26 members of the public regarding the Downtown Revitalization, Fort Lee Road and Broad  
27 Avenue intersection and drainage repairs and Spring Street. The Governing Body also  
28 asked the Borough Engineer to look at salt sheds for the DPW.  
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30 **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**  
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32 Kathy Levy-Pecht, 215 Fort Lee Road; Mrs. Pecht expressed concern about the loss of  
33 parking spaces on Fort Lee Road and asked the Governing Body to review parking in the  
34 Borough Hall parking lot.  
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36 Because of the length of the presentation, the following items were held until the meeting  
37 of April 3: Approval of Minutes of February 6, and the Standing Committee Reports of  
38 the Governing Body.  
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40 **INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES**  
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42 Introduction of Ordinance 02-06 entitled:  
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44 **CALENDAR YEAR 2006 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL**  
45 **BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP**  
46 **BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)**

A motion was made by Councilperson Heveran seconded by Councilperson Puzzo to approve on first Reading Ordinance 02-06

Roll call vote; all Council present voted yes. Ordinance 02-06 introduced.

Introduction of Ordinance 03-06 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL A PORTION OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF LEONIA, DESIGNATED AS CHAPTER 258. SECTIONS 258-1 THROUGH 258-4 THEREOF, ENTITLED "TAXATION"**

A motion was made by Councilperson Heveran seconded by Councilperson Puzzo to approve on first Reading Ordinance 03-06

Roll call vote; Councilperson Hawkins, Heveran, Mitrani, Raucci, Puzzo, voted yes, Councilman Ryan voted no. Ordinance 03-06 introduced.

**RESOLUTIONS**

A motion was made by Council President Puzzo to approve Resolution 06-82-through 06-84, 06-86 through 06-90, 06-93 through 06-97, seconded by Councilwoman Heveran. Roll call vote, all Council present voted yes. Resolution approved.

Resolution 06-85 – The Borough Administrator explained that the bids for the generator were being rejected on a technicality. This project will be re-bid. Council President Puzzo made a motion to approve Resolution 06-85, seconded by Councilman Ryan. Roll call vote; all Council present voted yes, Resolution 06-85 approved.

Resolution 06-91 and 06-92 were held for Closed Session discussion.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Letter from Mr. Mitzner, Esq.

Council President Puzzo made a motion to go into Closed Session, seconded by Councilman Ryan. All in favor none opposed.

Having reopened the public portion of the meeting after a Closed Session the Governing Body voted on the following Resolutions:

Resolution 06-91 – Councilwoman Heveran made a motion to appoint Jack Peters as Zoning Official per Resolution 06-91, second by Councilman Puzzo. Roll call vote; Councilpersons Hawkins, Heveran, Raucci, Ryan and Puzzo voted yes.

93 Councilwoman Mitrani voted no, does not feel it is good checks and balances.  
94 Resolution 06-91 approved.  
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96 Resolution 06-92 – Council President Puzzo made a motion to approve  
97 Resolution 06-92, second by Councilman Hawkins. All Council present voted  
98 yes. Resolution 06-92 approved.  
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100 Councilwoman Heveran made a motion to adjourn, second by Councilman  
101 Raucci. All in favor none opposed.  
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103 There being no further business before the Council meeting adjourned at 9:50.  
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105 Respectfully submitted,  
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108 Fran Lehmann  
109 Borough Clerk